



## **BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006**

### **Walla Walla , Washington [53071]**

Walla Walla is one of 39 counties in Washington. It is part of the Walla Walla, WA Micropolitan SA. Its 2006 population of 57,609 ranked 20th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2006 Walla Walla had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$26,188. This PCPI ranked 26th in the state and was 69 percent of the state average, \$38,212, and 71 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.2 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 6.6 percent and the national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Walla Walla was \$19,599 and ranked 23rd in the state. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.3 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2006 Walla Walla had a total personal income (TPI) of \$1,508,674\*. This TPI ranked 20th in the state and accounted for 0.6 percent of the state total. In 1996 the TPI of Walla Walla was \$1,060,503\* and ranked 19th in the state. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 6.8 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 8.4 percent and the national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.7 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Walla Walla. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 60.5 percent of TPI (compared with 61.1 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 18.3 percent (compared with 20.8 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 21.2 percent (compared with 18.1 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 5.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 9.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.3 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 3.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.2 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Walla Walla increased from \$1,092,596\* in 2005 to \$1,164,433\* in 2006, an increase of 6.6 percent. The 2005-2006 state change was 7.7 percent and the national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$814,140\* to the 2006 estimate was 3.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.9 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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